

Bell Ringers Needed...



Are you wanting to do something fun with your friends, family, or co-workers this Christmas Season? This community service opportunity will give you a chance to connect with many people and will bless our community.

Please call the Salvation Army at 283.3394 to register to ring at a local merchant location. You may also register online at registertoring.com.

- ❖ Tuesdays
- ❖ 9:15am
- ❖ Room 200
- ❖ All ladies are welcome.
- ❖ No meeting on December 24 or 31.



Celebrate Recovery



When: Tuesdays
Time: 7pm
Where: Room 200

This is for *anyone* who has hurts or hang-ups that they are working through.

Questions?

- Mary LePage at 286-5236
- Will Davies at 283-0925



Who? Young adults following or seeking to follow Jesus and desiring friendships and fellowship with others.

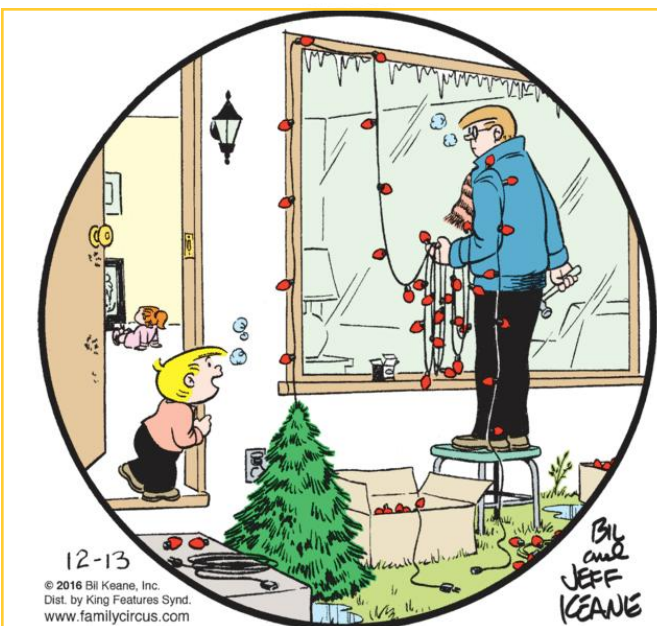
What? We are an interdenominational group of young adults who meet Thursdays at 7pm to fellowship and grow in our faith together.

Questions? Contact Kathy Galusha at 286.5727 or Carol Anderson at 324.2470.



Wednesday evenings
 • 5:00-5:45pm • Supper
 • 6-7:30pm • Awana Clubs

December 18 • Awana Family Fun Night



"I can help, Daddy. Let me know when they're ready to be turned on and I'll flip the switch!"



Very First Christmas

This Christmas you will probably gather with family and loved ones and remember the very first Christmas. You might have traditions that are common like stockings and trees and Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Your family might have developed your own traditions that have become special to you. For example, my grandparents made us kids reenact the nativity before we would open presents from them, which always included those huge tins of popcorn with the three different flavors. This year will be different though. You see, this past year my grandma, who was my last grandparent, died. Christmas time and the traditions we love will remind us that they aren't with us anymore. It will be our very first Christmas without them. The consolation is that she is with Jesus now, and like the shepherds that got to see the face of the Savior on that very first Christmas, she gets to see his face. In that sense it will be like her very first Christmas. Part of the wonder of Christmas is how the pain and sorrow of our broken world and the hope of peace of our Savior exist in the same space. This is what happens when God steps into our world.

I know there are many who will be experiencing their very first Christmas without someone they love. In this especially difficult time I encourage you to hold that space where the pain and the hope can intermingle. Remember that our Savior steps into places such as the one you are in. With this in mind our church is offering a Grief Share group beginning in January. I encourage you to look into journeying together with the group of people that will be meeting at that time. I'm wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance.

Pastor Seth



Waffles & Widows

Join other ladies for a time of encouragement & fellowship.

December 14
 10am • Gym

Questions? Contact Tucky at 218.742.6040



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 and suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying
Glory to God
 in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men
Luke 2
13-14



Recipe Corner



Kris Kringle Christmas Cookies

- 1 C butter, softened
- 1 C sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 1/4 C flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 12 oz bag of white chocolate morsels
- 1 1/4 C dried cranberries

Heat oven to 375. Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper or silicone mat. Beat butter and sugar in large bowl with mixer until light and fluffy. Blend in eggs and vanilla. Add flour, baking soda and salt; mix well. Stir in white morsels and cranberries. Drop rounded spoonfuls (2 TBSP) of dough onto cookie sheet. Bake for about 9-12 minutes. Cool on cookie sheet for about 1 minute and then move to wire racks to cool completely.

Notes:

You can make these cookies dairy-free by substituting dairy-free baking chips and vegan butter.

You can make these cookies gluten-free by using Bob's Red Mill 1-to-1 Gluten-Free Baking Flour.



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From the Desk of Pastor Dan ...

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Shakespeare's character, Juliet, once asked "what's in a name?" This coming Advent/Christmas season we are going to spend time on Sunday mornings looking at some of the amazing names that were given to the baby Jesus. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the prophet Isaiah gives names to the child who will be born: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. These are not the names that you ordinarily give to a child. These names are amazing in that they give us hints of who this child really would be.

The child will be called **Wonderful Counselor**. Who doesn't need a counselor? We are all broken people. On a regular basis we somehow manage to screw up our relationships, marriages, families, and friendships. We suffer loss and set back. We turn to a Wonderful Counselor.

This human child will be called **Mighty God**. In other words, God is coming into our world to help us handle those things in our lives that we just can't handle.

The child will be called **Everlasting Father**. Who doesn't need a father who will care for us, guide us through life and always be there for us when we need him?

The child to be born will be called **Prince of Peace**. He is the one who can give us peace when the circumstances of our lives are far from peaceful. He gives us "the peace that passes all understanding."

The angel told Joseph, "You shall call him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." This advent season, let's look together at what's in a name.

In His Grip,

Pastor Dan



December



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8 Jeff Bernard Kailey Andrews Joyce Kelly	9	10 Emma Clarity	11 Luke Hollis Gerald & Rita Forsythe	12 Will Peterson	13 Graci Bissonnette Ken Shoberg	14
15 Armando Barrios Violet Johnson	16	17	18 Norman Christianson Nicholas Jones	19 Olli Aili Allan Anderson Ed & Sue Natysin	20	21 Ron Ruelle
22 Laverne Schrock Bill & Rosemarie York Michael & Allison Wulff	23 Derek Bilben Julie Bissonnette Kathy Jackson Char Ruelle Marlys Stenberg	24	25	26 Ron Herivel	27 Tim & Kathy Jackson	28 Marlana Sinderman-Hollis Tom Holt Allan & Edna Anderson Milt & Karen Layman
29 Tom Holm Joel Maxwell	30	31				